

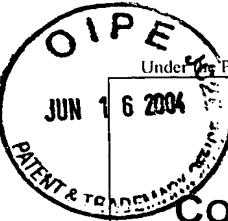
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**REQUEST  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>RCE 71647</i>	<i>JF-W</i>
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<b>Group Art Unit</b>	1647
<b>Examiner Name</b>	BUNNER, Bridget E.
<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	39766-0131 R1-1D1

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. s 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enclosed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply</li> <li>ii. <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)</li> <li>iii. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/1449 (1 page) and 2 references</li> <li>iv. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: return postcard</li> </ul>
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b.	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
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Dear Sir:

The present communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on February 17, 2004. A request for a one month extension of time accompanies this response. A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this Response. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement.

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